

**REDISTRICTING COMMISSION FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, September 1, 2011, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Council Hearing Room, 7:10 pm to 8:02 pm

**PRESENT**

**Commissioners:** Lee Annis; Cherri Branson; Henry Kahwaty; Jacqueline Phillips; Jonathan Shurberg; Don Spence; Jason Tai; Patti Jo Witham

**Staff:** Jeff Zyontz and Susan Mabie, Council Staff; Margaret Jurgensen, Board of Elections

**Public Observers:** Paul Bessel; Neal Carter; Arthur Edmunds; James Ertel; Steve Ertel; Barbara Hankins (League of Women Voters); Hessie Harris & Susan Johnson (Layhill South Citizens Association); Vivian Malloy; Dale Tibbitts (Councilmember Elrich's Staff); Victor Weissberg; Bill Witham

**Agenda:**

- 1) Approval of minutes
- 2) Public forum

**Action:**

- 1) August 11 minutes were approved.
- 2) Public forum speakers testified:
  - Matt Zaborsky (Greater Olney Civic Association): keep Olney districting as it is (divided between Districts 2 & 4)
  - Venattia Vann (Individual): the Spence map meets compactness standard; keeps Germantown intact; and equalizes population better than Kahwaty map
  - Elaine Apter (League of Women Voters): Spence map is preferable because it meets compactness standard and equalizes population better than Kahwaty map
  - Eleanor Duckett (Individual): keep all of the greater Kensington community in one district (both maps split her community into multiple districts)
  - Mark Uncapher (Montgomery County Republican Party): Kahwaty map preferable; it does the best job of putting together common communities of interest

**Requests:**

- 1) Place statistical information for each map back on the website (S. Mabie to do this).
- 2) Post maps of individual districts on website (J. Zyontz to work on these with Planning Staff when they are available)

**Next Meeting:**

September 9, 2011, 3:00 pm ***VOTING MEETING***